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It was long felt that the ornithologists of the Northwest should organize for the mutual interest and betterment of the avocation, but nothing was done along any definite lines until last fall. Prof. F.S. Hall, Director of the State Museum at the University of Washington, Seattle, can really be considered the founder of our present organization, for it was through his efforts that on the 12th of November last year, the first actual meeting of bird men of the vicinity of Seattle was held. Those present were Prof. F.S. Hall, Prof. Trevor Kincaid, S.F. Rathbun, Dr. Clinton T. Cooke, D.E. Brown, C.J. Albrecht, Prof. A.M. Winslow, F.R. Renick, and Stanton Warburton Jr., and the interest shown by all argued well for the future of any definite action that might be taken. No organization was attempted, but a general discussion was the business of the evening, and a good beginning was made toward getting the club started. The question of affiliation with the Cooper Club was early brought up, but as there was a difference of opinion concerning such a step, it was left to be decided later. Such was the case also when the question of the name of the organization was discussed. Qualification of members was likewise not acted upon, as the meeting had merely been called to see whether there was sufficient interest to warrant further effort, and in this respect it was decidedly successful. F.S. Hall had been appointed acting chairman and Stanton Warburton Jr. acting secretary, so they continued in this official capacity when the next meeting was called on the 24th of November. That the enthusiasm shown at the previous meeting had in no way abated was easily seen by the interest manifested by those present and also by the increased attendance. In all, eleven were present, viz., F.S. Hall, D.E. Brown, C.J. Albrecht, A.M. Winslow, F.R. Renick, S. Warburton, Jr., E.A. Kitchin, A.D. McGrew, Thos. D. Burleigh, Ernest P. Walker and A.S. Einarsen. The first business brought up was a continuation of the discussion concerning affiliation with the Cooper Club, membership dues and the drawing up of a constitution and by-laws. It was finally decided for various reasons to remain for the present an independent organization and not to consider becoming a chapter of the Cooper Club. The other questions were disposed of by giving the acting president authority to appoint a committee to draw up a constitution and by-laws. The president appointed the following committee for this purpose:- A.M. Winslow, S.F. Rathbun, Thos. D. Burleigh, D.E. Brown, and S. Warburton, Jr. The business of the evening being satisfactorily concluded, Ernest P. Walker then gave a most interesting talk on the birds of southeastern Alaska which was much enjoyed by all.

The next meeting called on Jan. 7th, 1920, was the organization meeting and no definite program was carried out. Prof. A.M. Winslow, chairman of the committee on the constitution and by-laws, gave a favorable report on the work accomplished by the committee during the past month and submitted for the approval of the club the constitution and by-laws as then drawn up. These were read by the acting chairman and, with few minor changes were adopted by the club by a vote of those members present. Among the provisions thus agreed upon were the following: The name of the club shall be the Pacific Northwest Bird and Mammal Club; the membership of the club to consist of active members only; the annual dues to be one dollar; regular meetings to be held the first Wednesday of each month; the election of officers to be held the first regular meeting in January, etc. The next business of the evening was the election of officers, and this resulted in electing F.S. Hall, President, J. Hopper Bowles of Tacoma, Vice President, and Stanton Warburton, Jr., as Secretary-Treasurer. President Hall then appointed a program committee to consist of S.F. Rathbun, Dr. Clinton T. Cooke and Thos. D. Burleigh, after which the meeting was thrown open to a general discussion of the large invasion of Bohemian Waxwings that occurred this winter in the vicinity of Seattle. Meeting adjourned. Members present at this

organization meeting were: F.S.Hall, Dr.Clinton T. Cooke, S.F.Rathbun, D.E.Brown, C.J.Albrecht, A.M.Winslow, E.A.Kitchin, J.Hooper Bowles, A.D.McGrew, Thomas D. Burleigh, Stanton Warburton, Jr., A.S.Einarsen and E.B.Webster of Port Angeles, Wn.

On Monday evening, Feb. 7th, a special meeting was called in order that the Club members might enjoy the privilege of personally meeting and hearing an address by Dr. A. K. Fisher of the U. S. Biological Survey. This meeting took the place of the regular monthly meeting which would have been held two days later. It was arranged as a dinner to our guest, Dr. Fisher, and was held at the University of Washington Commons. At its conclusion Dr. Fisher favored the members with a very interesting account of the activities of the Rodent Control Bureau of the Biological Survey. Mr. Leo K. Couch, also of the Biological Survey, was with us at this meeting and spoke of phases of his work in eastern Washington which was along the same lines about which Dr. Fisher had spoken. Business of the Club consisted of the appointment of two committees by President Hall, viz.- Membership Committee with J. Hopper Bowles as chairman, and A. M. Winslow and Stanton Warburton, Jr., as members; Observation Committee with Thos. D. Burleigh as Chairman and E. A. Kitchen and D. E. Brown as members. Members of the Club present at this meeting were: F. S. Hall, Dr. Clinton T. Cooke, S. F. Rathbun, D. E. Brown, C. J. Albrecht, A. M. Winslow, S. Warburton Jr., E. A. Kitchen, J. Hooper Bowles, A. D. McGrew, Thos. D. Burleigh, F. R. Renick, Leo K. Couch, and Prof. Trevor Kincaid.

The regular meeting of March was held on the evening of the 3rd in the club room at the museum building on the University of Washington campus, with President Hall in the chair. After the transaction of business, George G. Cantwell opened the program of the evening by giving a practical demonstration of the best and quickest method of putting up a mammal skin. The mammalogists present admitted getting new points on certain difficult phases of the operation and in the opinion of all, the time spent watching him in the operation was well worth while. Mr. C. J. Albrecht, Curator of Zoological Exhibits at the State Museum, then gave a talk on the bird life of Laysan Islands, Hawaiian Archipelago, well illustrated by numerous lantern slides made from photographs taken by himself during a trip which he made there in 1911. That it was appreciated was shown by the interest of all those who listened to him, and by the numerous questions asked and the comments made. Members present were: F. S. Hall, S. F. Rathbun, D. E. Brown, S. Warburton Jr., C. J. Albrecht, Thomas D. Burleigh, A. D. McGrew and George G. Cantwell.

The next regular meeting was held on April 7th, and at this time the club was favored by a talk by J. Hooper Bowles on the distribution of bird life, especially in the Northwest. Mr. Bowles, during the years he has lived at Tacoma, has noticed a definite change in the relative abundance of certain species that occur there and he showed clearly that bird life in any locality varies almost year by year, some species becoming gradually more plentiful while others decrease until, in a few cases, they disappear entirely. The talk was more or less informal, for comments were invited from his audience and all took part to some degree in proving or attempting to disprove his theory. The enthusiasm shown in the discussion proved that the membership of the Club was awake to the opportunities of the place and the season. Members present at this meeting were: F. S. Hall, J. Hooper Bowles, S. Warburton Jr., D. E. Brown, Thos. D. Burleigh, Dr. C. T. Cooke, C. J. Albrecht, and C. A. Hubbard.

The regular meeting in May was held in the club room at the Museum on the 5th inst. Samuel F. Rathbun, Honorary Curator of Birds at the State Museum, gave an interesting talk on the results of his observations on two recent trips, - one to Westport on Gray's Harbor in western Washington, and the other to Lake Crescent on the Olympic Peninsula. Members present were F. S. Hall, S. F. Rathbun, Thos. D. Burleigh, Stanton Warburton Jr., Dr. Clinton T. Cooke, A. M. Winslow, C. A. Hubbard and C. J. Albrecht.